

**Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement**  
**Application No. 09/855,340**

**Remarks**

Entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested. The amendment cancels claim 22 without prejudice; accordingly, no new matter has been added to the application. Claims 1-4, 6, 8-18, 20 and 21 are pending.

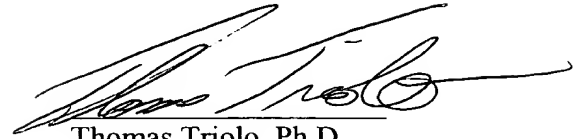
**Restriction Requirement**

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect one of three groups of claims (I, II or III). Applicant elects the claims of **Group I**.

**Conclusion**

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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